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My name is Tim Beatty, and I worked as a production machinist at the Y12 weapons plant in Oak Ridge from 1981-1990. As most of you are aware, we machined and were exposed to hazardous solvents, materials and chemicals during the 80's with little or no protection.

Since filing my claim I have spoken to quite a few former sick workers at the Resource Center who all have expressed very similar complaints.

- 1) The system to file and follow through to be compensated is complicated and demanding. None of the former workers I spoke to have ever heard of the S.E.M. database. It might be beneficial for the Resource Center to hand each claimant a card with the URL on it and explain about the site.
- 2) Physicians are very reluctant to write letters even though they agree that worker exposures are the cause of the illnesses.
- 3) Claims are sent to the I.H. (Industrial Hygienist) in WDC where they can take anywhere between 6 months to a year before they are evaluated. I spoke to the call center in Jacksonville the other day and was told once the I. H. receives the claim, it may be a while. I have been told there are only 3 I.H.'s for the entire program in WDC. This may be an area the Advisory Board can help?

If I can be of further assistance, please feel free to contact me anytime.

Sincerely,
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